

**PATENT**

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Applicant: Melkent, et al.  
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Title: MULTIPLE CANNULA IMAGE GUIDED TOOL FOR  
IMAGE GUIDED PROCEDURES  
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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 11, 2007, for which the time period to respond extends to October 11, 2007, Applicants elect the invention of Group I (Claims 1-19 and 39-47) without traverse.

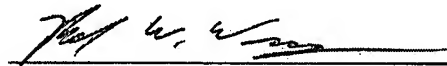
Should the Examiner have any further questions regarding the election, the Examiner is courteously requested to contact the undersigned at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

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